

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register: 21 February 1997
Name of applicant/court: Gordon and Gotch (NZ) Ltd
Applicant to the Labelling Body: Not Applicable
Title of Publication: Torso November 1995
Other Known Titles: November 1995 Volume 13 Number 4
Torso November, 1995 Volume 13 Issue 4
Director: Not Applicable
Producer: Not Applicable
Publisher: Mavety Media Group, Ltd.
Author: Not Applicable
Format: Magazine
Country of Origin: USA
Language: English

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Components of film originally examined: Not Applicable.

Feature:	Running time:
Trailers:	Running time:
	Total Running time:

Excision/Alteration: No.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.

Display conditions:

Section 27

Either

That when the publication is on public display, the classification given to the publication must be shown on the publication; or any package in which the publication is kept
and
That the publication must be publicly displayed only in a sealed package
and
That where the publication is publicly displayed in a package, the package must be made of opaque material.

Or

That when the publication is on public display, the classification given to the publication must be shown on the publication; or any package in which the publication is kept
and
That the publication must be publicly displayed only in a sealed package
and
That the publication must be publicly displayed only in premises, or a part of premises, set aside for the public display of restricted publications (whether or not articles other than restricted publications are also displayed in those premises or that part of those premises).

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The magazine entitled *Torso November 1995* is comprised of photographs explicitly depicting male nudity and stories explicitly depicting male to male sexual activity. The photographs depict naked or semi naked males with a focus on their genitalia and buttocks. The stories are generally about male to male sexual encounters with a focus on anal intercourse. Due to the explicit manner in which the magazine deals with matters of nudity and sex, the Classification Office considers that the availability of the magazine is likely to be injurious to the public good unless it is restricted to an adult audience. Therefore this magazine is classified as:

Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.

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